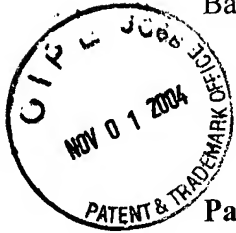


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AMENDMENT

REMARKS

This is response to an Office action dated August 13, 2004.

Claims 1-9 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over US Patent 6,707,893. This rejection is overcome by the submitted terminal disclaimer.

Claims 1-9 were rejected under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over published US patent application filed by Ju, US 2003/0190024, in view of DeFazio et al, US Patent 5,940,484.

The Examiner asserts that the Ju reference teaches all of the limitations of claims 1 and 7, but admits that the reference does not teach analyzing the call progress information to determine whether additional information is needed and sending a query message via the PSTN arrangement if additional information is needed. The Examiner asserts, however, DeFazio teaches the desirability of querying a national names database 6 if the local database 5 does not have a caller name associated with the received calling number, and that it would have been obvious to an artisan of ordinary skill to incorporate such analyzing and querying within the method of Ju so that the caller's name can be retrieved from a national database when the local database does not include a record for the particular caller. Applicants respectfully traverse.